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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

In response to the Office Action mailed July 13, 2005, Applicants request reconsideration of the application in view of the amendments and remarks set forth below. This response is being filed within two (2) months of that mailing date, thus no fee is deemed necessary. This Response is being filed with a Request for Continued Examination, and a fee of \$395.00 is enclosed.